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**VIA ECF/EMAIL**

Honorable Judge Gregory Woods  
United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street,  
New York, NY 10007

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**MEMORANDUM ENDORSED**

*Re: Kumaran et al vs. National Futures Association et al 20-CV-3668-GHW-SDA*

**RE: LETTER REQUESTING STAY**

Dear Hon. Judge Woods,

I, Aaron H. Pierce of the firm Pierce & Kwok LLP, who represent Plaintiff Nefertiti Risk Capital Management, LLC (“NRCM”) in the above-captioned matter(s). In light of my recent motion to be relieved as counsel, and in the abundance of caution and concern for my client, please accept this letter motion requesting that the case be stayed until my motion is adjudicated. I wish to reiterate again that, besides the issue of non-payment from the client for 6 months, I am currently unable to assist my client in their matters due to my continued, protracted recovery from serious and significant spinal surgery. I remain on a necessary but broad medley of potent medicines including but not limited to valium, celebrex, lyrica and percocet. There is no other attorney at my firm that can take over the client's matter and I am in no condition to assist in prosecuting the client's matters.

Consequently, I request that the case be stayed until my motion is adjudicated and the client is able to acquire new counsel.

I very much appreciate the Court's attention to this matter.

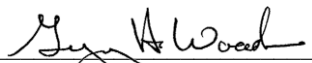
Respectfully submitted,

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The Court stayed this case on January 17, 2025, Dkt. No. 456, and has not since lifted the stay. The Clerk of Court is directed to terminate the motion pending at Dkt. No. 460.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 1, 2025  
New York, New York

  
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GREGORY H. WOODS  
United States District Judge